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In re Patent Application of:

Paolo Vinciguerra et al

Application No.: 10/511,897

Confirmation No.: 6439

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Art Unit: 3739

For: ABLATION METHOD USING A LASER
BEAM AND AN APPARATUS FOR THE
ABLATION

Examiner: Ahmed M. Farah

SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Supplementing the IDS at filing, and in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and MPEP 609, the Applicant, through its attorneys and representatives, hereby brings to the attention of the Examiner the references noted on the attached Form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed. Authorization to charge the deposit account of the undersigned for the required fee accompanies this submission. Copies are provided.

Receipt is acknowledged of the initial Office Action of January 5, 2007. Because these documents are submitted following the first action on the merits, please charge the deposit account of the undersigned firm, Deposit account 18-0013, for the required fee of \$180.

It should be noted that: (1) USP 5,637,109 corresponds to JP Application Unexamined Publication No. HEI 6-114083; (2) USP 5,907,388 corresponds to JP Application Unexamined Publication No. HEI 10-108837; and (3) USP 5,906,608 corresponds to JP Application Unexamined Publication No. HEI 9-266925. None of these U.S. patents was cited in the initial Action nor previously made of record. Each is assigned on its face to the Applicant for this application.

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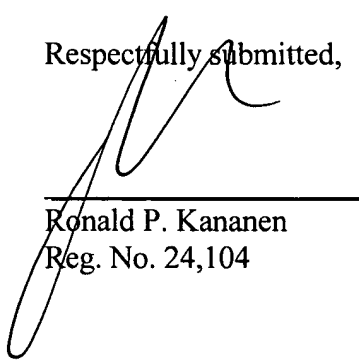
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It is requested that the Examiner review the references noted and make such consideration of record when considering a response to the pending Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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